

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SAN JOSE 3880

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINT, NU, CS  
SUBJ: COSTA RICA/NICARAGUA

1. VICE PRESIDENT ALFARO ADVISED ME JUST AFTER CARAZO DEPARTED FOR LIBERIA THAT HE NOW HAS CONFIRMED INFORMATION THAT BOMB AND ROCKET ATTACK HAS TAKEN PLACE IN WHAT HE BELIEVES TO BE APPROXIMATELY SAME LA CRUZ AREA, THREE KILOMETERS INSIDE BORDER. APPARENTLY THIS WAS IN A SEPARATE ACTION FROM THAT WHICH PRESIDENT HAD CONFIRMED.

2. REPORT HE HAD OF TOTAL CASUALTIES LISTED TWO WOUNDED COSTA RICANS, ACCORDING TO ALFARO'S BEST INFORMATION. ALFARO REPEATED THAT NOT ONLY QUINTANA'S STATEMENT EARLIER REPORTED, BUT LOCATION OF ACTION MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE BELIEVE GON PILOTS DID NOT KNOW THEY WERE VIOLATING COSTA RICAN TERRITORY.  
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